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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1. An image formation apparatus developing  
an electrostatic latent image with a two-component  
developer consisting of magnetic carriers and toners  
by using a development apparatus and a latent image  
10 supporter including a filler in an outermost layer  
thereof, the development apparatus having a developer  
supporter, which has an internally fixed magnetic  
body and rotates while supporting a developer on a  
surface thereof, and a developer quantity controller  
15 controlling a quantity of the developer which is  
supported by the developer supporter facing the  
magnetic body by controlling a height of magnetic  
brushes and consisting of materials having rigidity  
or rigidity and magnetic properties,

20 wherein a ratio ( $G_p/G_d$ ) of a development gap to a  
doctor gap between the developer supporter and the  
controller is from 0.7 to 1.0, and a weight-averaged  
particle diameter of a developer carrier is from 20  
to 60 $\mu$ m.

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2. The image formation apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein surface roughness  $R_z$  of a development sleeve is from 10 to  $30\mu\text{m}$ .

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3. The image formation apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein a surface of the development sleeve is processed by sand blasting.

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15 4. The image formation apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein a ratio ( $D/R_z$ ) of the weight-averaged particle diameter ( $D$ ) of the developer carrier to surface roughness ( $R_z$ ) of the development sleeve satisfies a relation  $2 \leq D/R_z \leq 3$ .

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5. The image formation apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the filler included in the outermost layer of the latent image supporter is formed by a metal oxide.

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6. The image formation apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the outermost layer of the latent image supporter includes a charge transfer material.

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7. The image formation apparatus as claimed in claim 6, wherein the charge transfer material is a polymer having electron-donating groups.

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8. The image formation apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the outermost layer of the latent image supporter includes an organic compound of which acid value is from 10 to 40 (mgKOH/g).

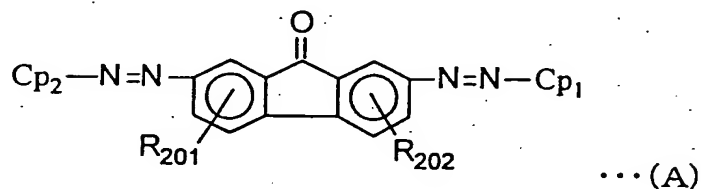
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9. The image formation apparatus as claimed  
in claim 1, wherein a charge generating material  
included in the latent image supporter is a  
titanylphthalocyanine having at least a maximum  
5 diffraction peak at  $27.2^\circ$  as a diffraction peak at  
Bragg angle  $2\theta$  ( $\pm 0.2^\circ$ ) for characteristic X-ray of  
 $\text{CuK}\alpha$ .

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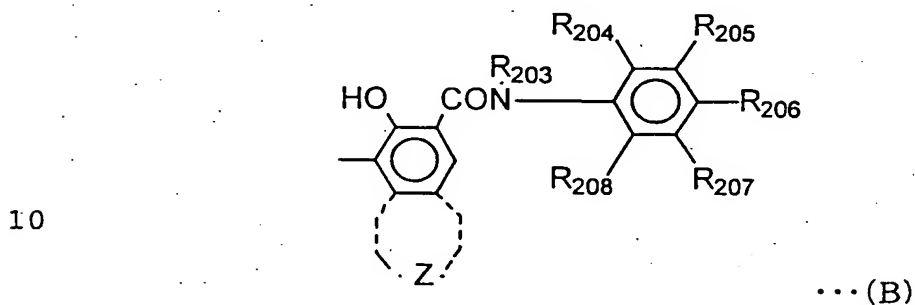
10. The image formation apparatus as claimed  
in claim 1, wherein the charge generating material  
included in the latent image supporter is an azo  
15 pigment represented by the following structural  
formula (A):

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wherein  $\text{Cp}_1$  and  $\text{Cp}_2$  are coupler residues, which are  
identical or different from each other;  
25 wherein  $\text{R}_{201}$  and  $\text{R}_{202}$  are respectively selected from a

group consisting of hydrogen atom, halogen atom,  
alkyl groups, alkoxy groups, and cyano group and are  
identical or different from each other; and  
Cp<sub>1</sub> and Cp<sub>2</sub> are represented by the following  
5 structural formula (B):



wherein R<sub>203</sub> is selected from a group consisting of  
hydrogen atom, alkyl groups such as methyl group and  
15 ethyl group, and aryl groups such as phenyl group;  
and  
R<sub>204</sub>, R<sub>205</sub>, R<sub>206</sub>, R<sub>207</sub>, and R<sub>208</sub> are respectively selected  
from a group consisting of hydrogen atom, nitro group,  
cyano group, halogen atom such as fluorine, chlorine,  
20 bromine, and iodine, trifluoromethyl group, alkyl  
groups such as methyl group and ethyl group, alkoxy  
groups such as methoxy group and ethoxy group,  
dialkylamino group, and hydroxyl group; and  
Z represents an atom group required for forming a  
25 substituted or non-substituted aromatic carbon ring

or a substituted or non-substituted aromatic heterocyclic ring.

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11. The image formation apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein a surface of a conductive supporter of the latent image supporter is anodized.

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12. The image formation apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein a charger contacts or is closely arranged to the latent image supporter.

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13. The image formation apparatus as claimed in claim 12, wherein a size of an air gap between the charger and the latent image supporter is equal to or less than 200 $\mu$ m.

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14. The image formation apparatus as claimed  
in claim 12, wherein an alternating current component  
is superposed on a direct current component in the  
charger to provide a charge to the latent image  
5 supporter.

10 15. The image formation apparatus as claimed  
in claim 1, wherein zinc stearate is applied on the  
latent image supporter.

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16. The image formation apparatus as claimed  
in claim 15, wherein zinc stearate powder is included  
in the toner provided to a development area.